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For: UNEXPECTED SURFACE PROTEINS IN  
MENINGOCOCCUS

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Examiner: P. Duffy

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated August 27, 2009 (Part of Paper No./Mail Date 20090819), for which a response is due on November 27, 2009. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.